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1. COMMISSION VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL RELATIONS SIR CHRISTOPHER SOAMES CALLED ME IN LATE SEPTEMBER 29. HE WANTED USG TO KNOW THAT COMMISSION HAD DECIDED TO PROPOSE TO COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL MINISTERS ON OCTOBER 4TH "PHASE OUT OF NFDM SCHEME". COMMISSION WOULD PROPOSE REDUCE DEPOSIT FROM 27 TO 18 UNITS OF ACCOUNT AND WOULD ANNOUNCE THAT NFDM PRICES WOULD BE INCREASED NOVEMBER 15. HOWEVER, SCHEME WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL 400,000 TONS OF NFDM ARE IN FACT DISPOSED OF, WHICH THEY NOW EXPECT WILL OCCUR SOMETIME IN EARLY NOVEMBER. IN COMMISSION'S JUDGEMENT, IF SCHEME WERE NOT EXTENDED BEYOND OCTOBER 31 IN THIS MANNER, IMPORTERS WOULD HOLD BACK IN OCTOBER AND 400,000 TON TARGET WOULD NOT BE MET. DURING DISCUSSION COMMISSIONER LARDINOIS JOINED US AND STATED SECRETARY BUTZ AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY BELL HAD INDICATED EXTENSION WOULD CAUSE NO PROBLEMS FOR USG. HINTON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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